

MARYLAND TOURISM COALITION PRESENTATION



Vision Statement

Maryland leads the way as one of America's most exciting, diverse and welcoming destinations - creating memories and experiences for visitors worldwide to enjoy.



Mission Statement

OTD stimulates and drives Maryland's *thriving tourism economy*, with a primary goal of creating a great place for all Marylanders to live, work and play.



Customer Spending 2019

- Visitors to Maryland spent nearly \$18.6 billion, an increase of 3 percent from 2018
 - Spending at accommodations rose 3.4 percent, which represents 19 percent of all visitor spending.
 - Overnight visitors comprise about 47 percent of all visitors but they represent 83 percent of all visitor spending by contributing \$15.5 billion.
 - Spending on food and beverage increased 5 percent, which represents 23.4 percent of all visitor spending.
- Visitor spending generated \$2.6 billion in state and local taxes
- Each household would need to pay an additional \$1,175 in taxes to replace the tax revenue received by state and local taxes from visitor spending.



Source: Tourism Economics

Tourism is Vital to Marylanders

- Tourism supported more than 150,000 people in 2019, which is flat to employment in 2019 and earned \$6.6 billion in wages, an overall increase of 1.5 percent from 2019
- Tourism is the 11th largest private sector employer in Maryland.



FISCAL YEAR 2020 - Covid Impact

ADJUSTED SALES AND USE TAXES ATTRIBUTABLE TO TOURISM

Sales Tax Category	Factor	FY 2020 (\$)	FY 2019 (\$)	Percent Change
108 Restaurants, Lunchrooms, Delicatessens - WO/BWL	33%	\$133,209,700	\$144,031,553	-7.5%
111 Hotels, Motels Selling Food - W/BWL	100%	\$24,065,630	\$35,484,697	-32.2%
112 Restaurants and Nite Clubs - W/BWL	33%	\$79,228,946	\$95,400,832	-17.0%
306 General Merchandise	5%	\$19,704,579	\$18,331,538	7.5%
407 Automobile, Bus and Truck Rentals	90%	\$63,868,393	\$72,373,839	-11.8%
706 Airlines - Commercial	50%	\$148,557	\$154,479	-3.8%
901 Hotels, Motels, Apartments, Cottages	100%	\$104,008,178	\$128,609,786	-19.1%
925 Recreation and Amusement Places	50%	\$3,838,032	\$4,594,869	-16.5%
Adjusted Tourism Tax Categories Total		\$428,072,015	\$498,981,593	-14.2%

OPEN FOR TOURISM

- Moving toward opening
 - Provided interactive experiences on the web site to continue engagement
 - Reviewed on-going research with an eye to opening
 - Moved toward the Open platform from Open for IT.



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- Developed new assets
- Changed direction of travel guide anticipating reduced advertising support
- Continued to push inspirational messaging
- Prepared for opening with new advertising collateral



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- Fall advertising continued
- New promotion with the DMOs Open for Road Trips
- Newest promotion with the industry Open for the Holidays



VisitMaryland.org new site









Thank you